

OUR LADY OF FATIMA SHRINE

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416-424-2111

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Catholic Women's League - every 1st Sat. @ 2:00 p.m.

cwl.olof@gmail.com

Legion of Mary - Praesidium - every Sat. @ 10:00 a.m.

Auxiliary Circle - every 2nd Sun. @ 1:30 p.m.

The Lord's Flock Prayer Group

Every Sunday: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

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416-916-1577

Missionaries Family of Christ - every 3rd Sat. @ 6:00 pm

Ed & Beth Zapanta, Elizabeth.x.zapanta@gmail.com

BAPTISMS:

Application Form from the Parish office.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION/CONFIRMATION

Contact the Parish Office in September.

MARRIAGES:

Couples must personally contact the parish office at least **one full year in advance**. No date may be set before meeting with the priest. **A Marriage Preparation Course is required.**

ANointing OF THE SICK:

Please contact the nurse station at the hospital for priest on duty. For home visits, call the parish office.

FUNERALS: Families requesting a Catholic funeral service for their deceased loved ones should contact a Catholic Funeral Director, preferably from the parish. For help call the parish office.

For information about **CATHOLIC CEMETERIES**, please visit the site: www.catholic-cemeteries.com

MASS SCHEDULES:

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday: NO MASS, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday (except First Friday) 8:00 a.m.

Wednesday - Adoration, Devotions & Mass 6:00 pm

Holidays & Saturdays 9:00 a.m.

First Friday (1 Mass) Devotions & Mass 6:00 pm

RECONCILIATION:

All First Friday at 5:30 pm, All Wednesday at 5:30-6:50 p.m. and All Saturday at 3:30-4:20 p.m. for emergency please call the office.

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Friday: 9:00 a.m. -12:00 Noon & 1:00 - 3:00 p.m., closed for lunch from 12:00-1:00 pm

The Office is closed on Saturday, Sunday & Holidays

We welcome you to **OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH** and encourage you to register with us either online or at the Parish office. Kindly support us using the offertory envelopes on a regular basis.

When making your Will, please remember to include the "FATIMA SHRINE RENOVATION FUND."!



Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, October 22

9:00 a.m. +Danny & Agnes Gomes
10:30 a.m. Adrian Friginal (I) Thanksgiving
12:15 p.m. +Thelma Paat

Monday, October 23

No Mass

Tuesday, October 24

8:00 a.m. +Enid Fung

Wednesday, October 25

7:00 p.m. Philomena & Christopher Singhroy (I)

Thursday, October 26

8:00 a.m. +Romeo Ragudo

Friday, October 27

8:00 a.m. Liam Fernandes (I)

Saturday, October 28

9:00 a.m. +Ann Meghay
4:30 p.m. Ben Balallo (I) Thanksgiving

29th Sunday in OT – October 22, 2023

“Give ... to God the things that are God’s.” That includes you! Is God calling you to service as a priest, deacon, brother or sister? Contact **Rev. Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997; email vocations@archtoronto.org** or call **Rev. Alan Glass at 416-757-2806** or at olfatimasc@archtoronto.org for more information.



Next Week Readings

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Greatest Commandment

1st Reading: Exodus 22.21-27

2nd Reading: Thessalonians 1.5c-10

Gospel: Matthew 22.34-40

Love until it hurts

Latin Songs: can be found on Catholic Book of Worship (Pages 299 A, D, E, F, & G).

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

Euphemism and an evolving society.

This is the great object to be aimed at in the present age: we need not dispute, we need not prove; we need to *define*. When men understand each other’s *meaning*, they see, for the most part, that controversy is either superfluous or hopeless. — Cardinal Newman

As a general rule, if you need a euphemism for what you are doing, it is probably evil.

We are living in an age of rampant euphemisms. We do not say ‘abortion’; we say ‘reproductive choice’ or, better still, ‘reproductive health care.’ We do not say ‘euthanasia,’ we say ‘medical assistance in dying.’ Other euphemisms simply defy rational thought: what reality is hiding behind the words ‘gender affirming health care’?

What I find interesting is that the now forbidden words ‘abortion’ and ‘euthanasia’ were themselves, not so long ago, euphemisms. To abort is to end something before its natural completion. For example, if a project that you are working on takes a wrong turn, you can simply abort it and start over. To ‘abort’ a child is simply, innocuously, to ‘terminate a pregnancy.’ And ‘euthanasia’ literally means ‘good death.’

The problem with euphemisms is that they have a short shelf life. Over time the euphemism inevitably takes on the meaning of the reality it is meant to conceal, and a then new euphemism is needed. Perhaps we can discern a glimmer of hope in the fact that euphemisms are still necessary — that the reality they are obscuring is still felt to be distasteful.

Not so many years ago a Canadian Prime Minister felt compelled to make excuses:

Certainly, many of us in this House, myself included, have a strong faith, and we value that faith and its influence on the decisions we make. But we are responsible for serving all Canadians and protecting the rights of all Canadians. We will be influenced by our faith but we must not shrink from the need to reaffirm the rights and responsibilities of Canadians in an evolving society.

Such dissimulation, however, now seems quaint, like the fig leaves that were at one time applied to the nude figures in the Sistine Chapel. Politicians no longer use the trope that they are ‘personally opposed to [fill in the blank] but ...’ Pretended reluctance is now passé. Our ‘evolving society’ has evolved beyond such old-fashioned qualms.

Nietzsche wrote about the ‘transvaluation of all values’ — the inversion of good and evil. In the case of Nietzsche, this was a conscious choice to discard the vestiges of Christian morality in favor of the power of the will. What we see in our own times is an unconscious transformation. Christian morality is now disdained as a hindrance to true moral progress towards a better and brighter future.

And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God...Romans 8:28



OCTOBER 22, 2023



CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The *Children's Liturgy* meetings & *First Holy Communion* classes will continue this **Sunday, Oct. 22 & 29 2023** during the **10:30 am** Mass in the church hall. All children – from 6 to 10 years old – are welcome to attend and participate.



Registration for **CONFIRMATION** is *on-going or if you need an application they are available during office hours only. Thank you*

R.C.I.A. Program: Oct. 2023 – Apr. 2024

Anyone interested in joining the Catholic Church? Already a Catholic and would like to deepen your faith? Perhaps you want to refresh your catholic doctrine? Then you are invited to join the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) program, a journey of prayer and instruction for those who wish to explore and strengthen the beauty of the Catholic faith. If you or anyone you know is interested, contact the parish office, during office hours, pick up a form or phone us at (416) 757-2806. Email: olfatimasc@archtoronto.org. Forms and schedules may be available from our website on a later date. Thanks.

Please pray for the newly baptized in Christ:

✠ Chiara Amalia Apostoli, Khai Teo Castillo, Gabriel Marc P. Cruz, Ella & Emmett Evero, and Liam Anthony Irwin.

For in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. Galatians 3:26

DONATION ENVELOPES BOXES FOR 2023

New Parishioners are encouraged to register and get their personal box of envelopes at the back of the church. Please don't forget to fill out the registration form so that at the end of the year your contributions will be acknowledged with a tax receipt. Thank you for your support throughout the year.



Also, kindly inform the Parish Office of any changes in your registration information such as:

Changes in address, house or apartment #, street name or postal code, a new phone/cell number or added/new member to the family. Thank you.

The BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE 2023 is out in the church by the baptismal font. Submit names of your beloved faithful departed to be included in all Mass intentions celebrated in the month of November. Thanks and may they rest in peace.

All Souls Day 2023

† A second collection for All Souls Day will be held during all Masses of the weekend **October 28 & October 29.**

† On **Wednesday, November 1st – ALL SAINT DAY** – Masses in our church will be at **7:00 pm.**

November 2nd – ALL SOULS DAY- Masses will be at **8:00 am & 7:00pm**

† Other Masses offered for loved ones listed in the *Book of Remembrance* will be celebrated on:

Sunday, Nov. 05 at 12:15 pm

Wednesday, Nov. 15 at 7:00 pm

Saturday, Nov. 18 at 4:30 pm

Sunday, Nov. 19 at 9:00 am

Wednesday, Nov. 29 at 7:00 pm

† Please, if possible, enter the names of your loved ones in the *"Book of Remembrance"* before **November 1st.**

Happy are those who have died in the Lord.

Let them rest from their labours, for their good deeds go with them. Revelation 14.13

Archdiocese of Toronto Catholic
Cemeteries & Funeral Services

**All Souls' Day Mass – Saturday
November 4, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.**

Archdiocese of Toronto wishes to invite all families to participate in the All Souls' Day Mass. All Masses will be held indoors at the following locations:

- **Assumption Cemetery, Mississauga – Our Lady of Fatima Mausoleum**
- **Christ the King Cemetery, Markham – Reception Centre**
- **Holy Cross Cemetery, Thornhill – Holy Family Mausoleum**
- **Queen of Heaven Cemetery, Woodbridge – St. Anthony's Mausoleum (Liturgy in Italian and English)**
- **Resurrection Cemetery, Whitby – Our Lady of the Assumption Mausoleum.**

All are welcome!



Prayers for Peace in the Middle East



"In this month of October dedicated, in addition to the missions, to praying the Rosary, let us not tire of asking through Mary's intercession for the gift of peace in the many countries throughout the world marked by war and conflicts."

We pray for peace in the Middle East especially in Israel and Palestine. For all those who are living through terror, war, anguish and violence. We pray to the Lord.

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